

INFORMATION REPORT INFORMATION REPORT

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

This material contains information affecting the National Defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U.S.C. Secs. 793 and 794, the transmission or revelation of which in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law.

S-E-C-R-E-T

| | | | | |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|------|
| COUNTRY | Bulgaria | REPORT | | 25X1 |
| SUBJECT | Civil Health and Defense Training | DATE DISTR. | 16 May 1955 | 25X1 |
| | | NO. OF PAGES | 1 | |
| DATE OF INFO. | | REQUIREMENT NO. | RD | |
| PLACE ACQUIRED | | REFERENCES | | 25X1 |
| DATE ACQUIRED | This is UNEVALUATED Information | | | |

SOURCE EVALUATIONS ARE DEFINITIVE. APPRAISAL OF CONTENT IS TENTATIVE.

GSO

1. The GSO (Gotov za Sanitarna Otbrana; Ready for Health Defense) is an organization whose purpose it is to impart instruction in first aid to citizens of both sexes between the ages of 18 and 60. Lessons are given in elementary anatomy and the students are instructed in methods of bandaging slight wounds and are prepared to combat the main epidemics (diphtheria, measles, etc.)
2. The students take a course consisting of 10 lessons and attendance is apparently voluntary. Doctors are exempted from attending the courses; however, together with the students of fourth year medicine and graduate nurses, they must give their time toward teaching the programs.

PVKhO

3. Qualified citizens of both sexes who are over 45 years of age are obliged to become members of the PVKhO (Protivovuzduzhna Khimicheska Otbrana; Anti-air and Chemical Defense). They are given instruction on the measures to be taken in defense against chemical warfare attack from the air, against bacteriological warfare as well as in first aid to the stricken. Some slight reference is also made to elementary notions for decontaminating areas hit by chemical agents.

25X1

S-E-C-R-E-T

25X1

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------|---|------|---|------|---|-----|---|-----|--|-----|--|--|--|--|
| STATE | X | ARMY | X | NAVY | X | AIR | X | FBI | | AEC | | | | |
|-------|---|------|---|------|---|-----|---|-----|--|-----|--|--|--|--|

(Note: Washington distribution indicated by "X"; Field distribution by "#".)

INFORMATION REPORT INFORMATION REPORT